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September 25, 2020

Via ECF

The Honorable Vernon S. Broderick
United States District Judge
Southern District of New York
United State Courthouse
40 Foley Square, Courtroom 518
New York, New York 10007

Re: *United States v. Sayfullo Habibullaevic Saipov*, S1 17 Cr. 722 (VSB)

Dear Judge Broderick:

We write on behalf of the parties in response to the Court's August 21, 2020 order regarding social video teleconferences ("VTCs"). The defendant requests that the Court again direct the Metropolitan Correctional Center ("MCC") to provide the defendant with two 30-minute VTCs with his SAMs-approved family members in the month of October. The Government has conferred with an MCC official and understands that, although conditions are continuing to improve and the MCC expects in-person visits to resume sometime in October, the MCC has not yet resumed in-person visits and the availability of VTCs remains the same. Accordingly, the Government has no objection to the defendant's request on the condition that the defendant, as he did in September, foregoes his legal VTCs to accommodate his social VTCs. The parties also respectfully request the opportunity to update the Court about this issue on or before October 26, 2020.

Respectfully submitted,

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